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General Assembly

Committee on Information
Thirty-seventh session

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 1

Open-ended working group of the Committee on Information [item 9]

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

15:00 to 18:00 — 369th meeting — Conference Room 11

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

10:00 to 13:00 — 271st meeting (closed) — Conference Room 5

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

Informal informal consultations, convened by the Permanent Mission of Peru on the draft resolution on the establishment of an open-ended intergovernmental working group on indicators and terminology on disaster risk reduction will be held *today*, 1 May 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12.

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

1. Executive meeting
2. Closure of the session

Security Council

Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea

10:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 7

1. Briefings on the implementation of the charcoal ban by the Somalia and Eritrea Monitoring Group, the Combined Maritime Forces, and United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
2. Maritime interdiction of charcoal and arms pursuant to paragraph 22 of resolution 2182 (2014)
3. Other matters

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fourteenth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8
	Adoption of the report of the Permanent Forum on its fourteenth session [item 10]	
15:00 to 18:00	17th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4
	Adoption of the report of the Permanent Forum on its fourteenth session (E/C.19/2015/L.2, E/C.19/2015/L.3, E/C.19/2015/L.4, E/C.19/2015/L.5, E/C.19/2015/L.6, E/C.19/2015/L.7, E/C.19/2015/L.8, E/C.19/2015/L.9 and E/C.19/2015/L.10) [item 10]	
	Closing of the session	

Conferences at Headquarters

Friday, 1 May 2015

2015 Review Conference of the Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons

Main Committee I

10:00 to 13:00	Open meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

15:00 to 18:00 9th meeting [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Non-governmental organizations presentations

[Further information can be found by *clicking here*. To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.

The Conference will be supported by the PaperSmart system. The official documentation of the Conference will be available electronically either via the PaperSmart Portal (e-mail papersmart3@un.org); or via the ODA related webpage (*click here*).

Delegations are requested to send electronic copies of their statements to papersmart3@un.org, at least *two hours* prior to their speaking slot.

The statements will be available to view and download via the PaperSmart Portal upon delivery by the speaker. The secretariat requests delegations to provide only 25 hard copies of official statements for the technical services.

Delegations and participants are encouraged to bring their laptops, tablets or other mobile devices to the meetings in order to access information and documents electronically. QR Code posters with the PaperSmart Portal link will be put up in the conference room to enable easy access to the Portal via QR Code scanners on devices.]

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/69/251 and A/69/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

Friday, 1 May 2015

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of Islamic Cooperation" (under agenda item 123 (t)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia)

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 4.

Other meetings

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Friday, 1 May 2015

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating meeting of the States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) (at the expert level)

09:00 to 10:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 9
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

11:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

Other activities

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Friday, 1 May 2015

Event on "Let Journalism Thrive! Towards Better Reporting, Gender Equality, and Media Safety in the Digital Age" (on the occasion of the World Press Freedom Day (3 May)) (co-organized by the Department of Public Information (DPI) and the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO))

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 1. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Hawa Diallo, DPI (e-mail diallo9@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9380); or Mr. Ricardo de Guimares Pinto, UNESCO Liaison Office to the United Nations (e-mail r.de-guimaraes-pinto@unesco.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4383).]

Human rights orientation workshop for diplomats (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) New York Office and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR))

From 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 13.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); to register, please *click here*.]

Panel discussion on "Health and Environment: Global Partner for Global Solution – 26 April 1986 (Chornobyl): What has Changed" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine and the World Information Transfer)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 5. [webcast]

[All invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Yaroslav Golitsyn, Permanent Mission of Ukraine (e-mail uno_us@mfa.gov.ua; tel. 1 (212) 759-7003).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Friday, 1 May 2015

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of May 2015 (Lithuania) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month on Monday, 4 May 2015, at 12:00, in Conference Room 12.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

There will be a briefing on Wednesday, 6 May 2015, at 13:15, in Conference Room 1, by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, on the organizational arrangements for the United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda and the general debate, to be held at the opening of the seventieth session of the General Assembly.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

In accordance with resolution 69/201 of 18 December 2014, the General Assembly will hold a high-level thematic debate in support of the process towards the 2016 Special Session on the World Drug Problem, on Thursday, 7 May 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Letters from the President of the General Assembly dated 6 March 2015 and 2 April 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

Third International Conference on Financing for Development
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia
(13-16 July 2015)

The Third International Conference on Financing for Development will be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 13 to Thursday, 16 July 2015, pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 68/204 of 20 December 2013 and 68/279 of 30 June 2014.

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings is now open and inscriptions shall be on a first-come, first-served basis. Delegations are reminded that participation at the meetings is expected at the highest possible political level.

All delegations wishing to participate are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat, in writing, by e-mail (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org, copy to muturi@un.org and fidlerl@un.org)) indicating the name and title of the speaker, as well as two preferences of meetings.

For questions on the list of speakers, please call 1 (212) 963-5063.

A letter by the Secretariat on the opening of the list of speakers was sent on Tuesday, 28 April 2015, to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Forthcoming official meetings

Monday, 4 May 2015

General Assembly
Sixty-ninth session

High-level Thematic Debate on Strengthening Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and sub-regional organizations[1]

Opening segment

Statements by the President of the General Assembly, the Secretary-General of the United Nations, and the President of the Republic of Uganda

10:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Plenary segment

How to further enhance the cooperation and strategic partnership between the United Nations and regional and sub-regional organizations

11:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1]Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 24 February 2015, 10 April 2015 and 27 April 2015, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Interactive Panel 1

Strengthening the strategic cooperation between the United Nations and regional and sub-regional organizations in the three pillars of the United Nations system, namely: peace and security, human rights and development

15:00 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Interactive Panel 2

Galvanizing support of regional and sub-regional organizations towards the implementation of a transformative post-2015 development agenda

16:35 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Tuesday, 5 May 2015

General Assembly

Sixty-ninth session

10:00 86th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: draft resolution (A/69/L.60 (to be issued)) [item 123]

Morning[1] 87th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Seventieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War: Special solemn meeting of the General Assembly in commemoration of all victims of the Second World War[2] [item 129]

[1]Immediately following the adjournment of the 86th plenary meeting.

[2]In accordance with resolution 69/267 of 26 February 2015. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 15 April 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

General Assembly

Sixty-ninth session

The agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/69/251 (see document A/69/252 for allocation of items). The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-ninth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in documents A/69/100 and A/69/100/Add.1.

Please note that there is no predetermined programme of work for formal and informal meetings of the plenary for the resumed part of the session (1 January-14 September 2015). Meetings will be announced in the *Journal* when they are scheduled.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; Room S-3082).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-3818 (Room S-3053). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

The book of resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly during the main part of its sixty-ninth session was issued in document A/69/49 (Vol. I) and is available in the six official languages on the Official Documents System (*click here*). To obtain hard copies, please contact the Meetings Support Section (Mr. Louis Giordano (e-mail giordanol@un.org; tel. 1(212) 963-7288)).

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations.

The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/69/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

General Assembly

Sixty-ninth session

Informal consultations under agenda item 74 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Informal consultations (closed) on the way forward on the recommendations adopted on 23 January 2015 by the Ad Hoc Open-ended Informal Working Group to study issues relating to the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity beyond areas of national jurisdiction will be held on Tuesday, 5, and Wednesday, 6 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 12.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

The second part of the resumed session of the Fifth Committee of the General Assembly at its sixty-ninth session will begin on Monday, 4 May 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. The status of preparedness of documentation *will be issued* in document A/C.5/69/L.38.

Information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the status of documentation, as well as the tentative and provisional programme of work, will be available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit any changes or update to their official list of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers by sending a note verbale and/or completing the form A/INF/69/2* to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations
Informal briefing

The High Level Independent Panel on Peace Operations will provide an informal briefing (closed), to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations on Wednesday, 6 May 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 1.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-fifth session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-fifth session at Headquarters from Monday, 1 to Friday, 26 June 2015.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than* Friday, 15 May 2015.

For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; Room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943)).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 67/238.

Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

Economic and Social Council

2015 session
Economic and Social Council dialogue on longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system

The workshop on Funding, part of phase I of the Economic and Social Council dialogue on the longer-term positioning of the United Nations development system, will be held on Friday, 8 May 2015, from 10:00 to 18:00, at the Permanent Mission of Indonesia (325 East 38th Street). The workshop will be chaired by the Vice President of the Council, Her Excellency María Emma Mejía Vélez (Colombia) and hosted by His Excellency Desra Percaya (Indonesia). The draft programme is available on the website of the Council (*click here*); background material and other information will be made available soon. To ensure access to the venue, interested Missions should register by *clicking here*. For further information, please contact Mr. Joshua Seidman-Zager, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail seidman-zager@un.org).

United Nations Forum on Forests
Eleventh session

The United Nations Forum on Forests will hold its eleventh session from Monday, 4, to Friday, 15 May 2015, at Headquarters. The session will open on Monday, 4 May 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 4. The annotated provisional agenda is contained in document E/CN.18/2015/1.

High-level segment and list of speakers

The session will include a high-level segment, which will be held on Wednesday, 13, and Thursday, 14 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00. A list of speakers for the segment will be established for statements by Ministers and Heads of Delegations.

Delegations are requested to inscribe, *as soon as possible*, the names of their Ministers or Heads of Delegations who wish to make a statement during the high-level segment, by sending an e-mail or fax to the Secretary of the Forum, Mr. Moncef Khane (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; with a copy to unff@un.org; fax 1 (917) 367-3186).

The time limits for statements during the segment are *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States and *five minutes* for individual Member States.

As part of the high-level segment, there will be two consecutive round tables on Thursday, 14 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the following topics:

Round table 1: Integration of forests in the post-2015 development agenda; and

Round table 2: Renewed commitments to the implementation of the international arrangements on forests beyond 2015.

The round tables will be interactive in nature and as such, there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. The time limit for interventions is *three minutes*.

List of participants

Delegations are requested to communicate the composition of their delegations by e-mail or fax to the secretariat of the Forum (e-mail alejandrino@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), *as soon as possible.* for inclusion in the list of participants.

For documentation and further information on the eleventh session of the Forum, including the list of side events, please visit the Forum website by *clicking here.*

Registration for participants

On Monday, 4 May 2015, the United Nations Pass and ID Unit (UNITAR Building, First Avenue and 45th Street) will open at 07:00 to allow Forum participants to collect their passes prior to the start of the opening of the session at 10:00. From Tuesday, 5 May and the weekdays thereafter, the Pass and ID unit will operate during normal office hours, from 09:00 to 16:00.

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold informal consultations on Thursday, 7, and Friday, 8 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 9, to discuss new applications. All members of the Committee are

strongly encouraged to attend. Participation in the informal consultations is open to members of the Committee only.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, will hold informal consultations, as follows:

Wednesday, 6 May 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8: on the UNDP report on Internal Audit and Investigations; and

Friday, 8 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 13: on the UNFPA report on Internal Audit and Investigation Activities in 2014.

All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming conferences at Headquarters

Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

Conference of States Parties

Informal briefing

An informal briefing on organizational matters of the eighth session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take place on Thursday, 7 May 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 8. The informal briefing is convened by the Bureau-elect, Chair of the Bureau (the Republic of Korea), and Vice Presidents of the Bureau (Brazil, Italy, Poland and United Republic of Tanzania), in collaboration with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. All delegations are invited to attend.

Eighth session

The eighth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities will take place at Headquarters from Tuesday, 9, to Thursday, 11 June 2015. The provisional agenda is available as CRPD/CSP/2015/1.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 34, paragraph 5 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the necessary quorum for the meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 154 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 103 States Parties. In order to avoid lack of quorum which may lead to substantial delay or call off of the meeting of the States Parties, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present prior to the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the opening of the session. The credentials may be sent to the secretariat (e-mail to zhangg@un.org, with copy to pewitt@un.org; Room S-2905).

Accessibility

States parties are kindly requested to inform the Secretariat of any accessibility requirements of delegates for participation in meetings.

Statements submitted for posting on the PaperSmart portal should be in MS Word format or in accessible PDF.

For further information concerning the Conference of States Parties, kindly contact the secretariat for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mails zhangg@un.org and enable@un.org; Room S-2905); or visit the United Nations Enable website (please *click here*).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/69/251 and A/69/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Permanent neutrality of Turkmenistan" (A/RES/50/80) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

Monday, 4 May 2015, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Saving the cultural heritage of Iraq" (under agenda item 35) (organized by the Permanent Missions of Germany and Iraq)

Monday, 4 May 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room E.

Forthcoming other meetings

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Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Tuesday, 5 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8.

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties

Friday, 8 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8.

Forthcoming other activities

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Informal briefing on the rule of law, in accordance with paragraph 18 of General Assembly resolution 69/123 (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Liechtenstein and Mexico, and the Rule of Law Unit (on behalf of the United Nations Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group))

Monday, 4 May 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Jane Anttila, Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail anttila@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4749); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935).]

Multinational Negotiations: Workshop on Peace, Reconciliation and Peacebuilding (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Olof Palme Memorial Fund)

Monday, 4 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 13; and

Tuesday, 5 May 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room 13.

[All permanent missions are invited. For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); to register, please *click here.*]

High-level event on "Environmental Justice and Sustainable Development" (with Members of the International Advisory Council for Environmental Justice of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)) (co-organized by the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General and the United Nations Environment Programme)

Monday, 4 May 2015, from *13:15* to 14:30, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Chelsea Payne, Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (e-mail payne@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3107); or please *click here*).]

Event on "The Role of Regional Organizations and Civil Society in building peaceful societies and local ownership in support of implementing the post-2015 development agenda" (co-organized by the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA), the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), the Permanent Missions of Ghana and the Netherlands, and the United Nations Non-Governmental Liaison Service (UN-NGLS)

Monday, 4 May 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Kieran M. Lettrich, Office of the Permanent Observer for International IDEA (e-mail k.lettrich@idea.int; tel. 1 (212) 286-1084).]

Official opening of the photo exhibition entitled "The Last World War: Remembering for Peace" (on the occasion of the seventieth anniversary of the end of the Second World War) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, the Russian Federation, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan)

Monday, 4 May 2015, at 18:00, at the Delegates' Entrance Lobby.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of Belarus (e-mails usaun@mfa.gov.by; or belmission.ny@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 535-3420).]

Special ceremony to commemorate the return of the Peace Bell to the Japanese Garden (organized by the Permanent Mission of Japan in collaboration with the Department of Public Information (DPI))

Wednesday, 6 May 2015, 09:00 to 09:30, in the Japanese Garden.

[All permanent missions, permanent observer missions and Secretariat staff are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Catharine Smith, DPI (e-mail smith2@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3748).]

Panel discussion on "Identifying Common Ground on Development for the United Nations General Assembly Special Session on the World Drug Problem 2016 (UNGASS 2016)" (organized by the United Nations University (UNU))

Wednesday, 6 May 2015, from 10:00 to 12:45, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office (e-mail walker@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6346); to register, please *click here.*]

Event on "Sentencing reform and alternatives to prison: New approaches to addressing drug use and crime" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Colombia and the United States Mission)

Thursday, 7 May 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Germán Calderón, Permanent Mission of Colombia (e-mail gcalderon@colombiaun.org; tel. 1 (212) 355-7776, ext. 234).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Eighteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2014/237 of 16 July 2014, the eighteenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will be held from Monday, 4, to Friday, 8 May 2015, in Conference Room XVIII, at the

Palais des Nations, Geneva. The annotated provisional agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/CN.16/2015/1.

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to attend, are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to Ms. Anne Miroux, Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics and Head of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development secretariat (e-mail anne.miroux@unctad.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-1167; fax 011-41-22-917-0052), and Ms. Dong Wu, Chief, Science and Technology Section, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD, Room E.7058, Geneva (e-mail dong.wu@unctd.org; tel. 011-41-22-917-4171; fax 011-41-22-917-0052).

In preparation for the session, delegations are invited to review the documentation and other background information by *clicking here*.

Inquiries on the eighteenth session of the Commission can also be directed to Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Otto Gustafik (e-mail gustafik@un.org).

Announcements

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of United Nations human rights treaty bodies

With a view to facilitating the timely submission of credentials for all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to give all States parties to the international human rights treaties advance notice that the following meetings of States parties will take place in 2015:

Third Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance* (Tuesday, 23 June 2015) to elect five members of the Committee on Enforced Disappearance (for general information *click here*);

Twenty-sixth Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination* (Thursday, 25 June 2015) to elect nine members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (for general information *click here*); and

Seventh Meeting of States Parties to the *International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families* (Tuesday, 30 June 2015) to elect seven members of the Committee on Migrant Workers (for general information *click here*).

The rules of procedure of each meeting require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to the meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in time and the Secretariat continues to receive obsolete credentials many

months after the meetings have concluded. All States Parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than* one week before the meeting.

Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Original copies of credentials and names of delegates for all of the above mentioned meetings, duly signed by the Head of State or Government or Foreign Minister, should be submitted to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York (Attn. Mr. Nenad Vasić (e-mail vasic@un.org; Room S-1309)). For any clarifications on these elections, please consult the OHCHR's guide on treaty body elections (*click here*), or contact Mr. Vasić, OHCHR (e-mail vasic@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5998).

Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

In paragraph 20 of its resolution 68/279, the General Assembly invited all Member States and other potential donors to consider contributing generously to the Trust Fund for the Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development, in order to support the activities involved in the preparations for the third International Conference on Financing for Development (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, 13-16 July 2015) and the travel and participation of representatives from developing countries, in particular the least developed countries.

In accordance with the terms of reference of the Trust Fund, voluntary contributions may be received from Governments, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, private institutions and individuals. For additional information, please contact Ms. Dominika Halka (e-mail halka@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6653).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council (Fifteenth Supplement - 2004-2007 (Vols. I and II))**

The Department of Political Affairs recently published the fifteenth Supplement to the *Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council, covering the years from 2004 to 2007. The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

For paper copies of the Fifteenth Supplement, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

Later supplements covering the period 2008 to 2011 are available in their advance version on line by *clicking here*.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 30 April 2015

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on Sovereign Debt Restructuring Processes
Second working session

[archived video]

10th meeting

The Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee (Plurinational State of Bolivia) opened the meeting.

A multilateral legal framework for sovereign debt restructuring processes [item 3]

The Ad Hoc Committee continued its consideration of the agenda item.

A statement was made by the Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, Argentina, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, China and Ecuador.

A statement was also made by the representative of a non-governmental organization, International Insolvency Institute.

Conclusion of the second working session

The Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee made concluding remarks and declared close the second working session of the Ad Hoc Committee.

Economic and Social Council

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Fourteenth session

[archived video]

15th meeting

Human rights: Implementation of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [item 7 (a)]

Focus on economic, social and cultural rights

General discussion

Statements were made by Ms. Mariam Wallet Aboubakrine and Ms. María Eugenia Choque Quispe, members of the Permanent Forum.

The Permanent Forum heard statements by the following Member States represented by observers: Ecuador, El Salvador, Mali and Viet Nam.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Native Women's Association of Canada; Aliansi Masyarakat Adat Nusantara; Consejo de la Nación Charrúa; Pacific Caucus; Naga Peoples' Movement for Human Rights; International Work Group For Indigenous Affairs (also on behalf of Forest Peoples Programme and Indigenous World Association); Cordillera Peoples Alliance; International Work Group for Indigenous Affairs, with Shimin Gaikou Centre; School Sisters of Notre Dame; Shimin Gaikou Center; Association Ellay de Tombouctou; and Organismo Indígena para la Planificación del Desarrollo Naleb.

Human rights: Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [item 7 (b)]

Focus on economic, social and cultural rights

General discussion

A statement was made by Mr. Oliver Loode, member of the Permanent Forum.

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Association of Russian-language indigenous people inhabiting territory of present Latvia; Coordinadora de Organizaciones Indígenas Campesinas y Comunidades Interculturales de Bolivia (COINCABOL); Khmers Kampuchea-Krom Federation (also on behalf of Khmer Kampuchea Krom Temple); and Confederación Nacional de Mujeres Campesinas Indígenas Originarias "Bartolina Sisa".

Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues of the Economic and Social Council and emerging issues [item 8]

General discussion

A statement was made by a representative of the following indigenous organization: International Indigenous Women's Forum/Foro Internacional de Mujeres Indígenas (FIMI).

16th meeting

Future work of the Permanent Forum, including issues of the Economic and Social Council and emerging issues [item 8]

General discussion

Statements were made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: Fondo para el Desarrollo de los Pueblos Indígenas de América Latina y El Caribe; Asia Caucus; Gabooye Minority Organisation Europe and North America; Land is Life, Inc.; Conselho Indigenista Missionário (CIMI); Parbatya Chattagram Jana Samhati Samiti; Bangladesh Indigenous Peoples Forum; State University of New York - College at Brockport (also on behalf of Aliansi Masyarakat Adat (Indonesia), Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities and Naga Peoples' Movement for Human Rights); Organismo Indígena para la Planificación del Desarollo Naleb; and Consejo de la Nación Charrúa.

Keynote statement

A keynote statement was made by Mr. Kevin Rudd, the former Prime Minister of Australia.

Draft agenda for the fifteenth session of the Permanent Forum [item 9]

A statement was made by the Chair.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979

Accession: South Sudan (30 April 2015)

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984

Accession: South Sudan (30 April 2015)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999

Accession: South Sudan (30 April 2015)

Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002

Accession: South Sudan (30 April 2015)

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011

Signature: Czech Republic (30 April 2015)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2015* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Nigeria
Her Excellency Joy Ogwu

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His Excellency Zahir Tanin

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Montenegro
Ms. Ivana Pajević
Chargée d'Affaires

Latin American and Caribbean States:
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Her Excellency María Rubiales de Chamorro

Western European and other States:
Denmark
His Excellency Ib Petersen

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

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Website of the presidency

The website of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at www.un.org/en/sc/presidency/.

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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DP/2015/11/Add.1	Item 2 of the provisional agenda — Annual report of the Administrator — Report of UNDP on the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in 2014 [A C E F R S] — *14 pages*
DP/DCP/UGA/3	Item 5 of the provisional agenda — Country programmes and related matters — Country programme document for Uganda (2016-2020) [E F S (only)] — *16 pages*

DP/FPA/2015/5 (Part II) **Item 8 of the provisional agenda — United Nations Population Fund — Annual report of the Executive Director — Report on the recommendations of the Joint Inspection Unit in 2014 — Report of the Executive Director [A C E F R S] —** ***13 pages***

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